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# FIVE OFFICERS AND 24 MEN KILLED OUTRIGHT

Two Others So Badly Wounded Their Recovery is Hopeless.

Explosion of 12-Inch Gun in the After Turret of the Magnificent Battleship Missouri.

explosion of 2,000 pounds of powder in the after twelve-inch turret
and the handling room of the battleship
Missouri, Captain William S. Cowles
commanding, twenty-nine men were instantly killed and five injured of these.

Apprentices, (second class), G. C. Hardy,
P. R. Oastler.
J. Donnelly, ordinary seaman, and O. B.
More, apprentice, (second class), Gigned.)

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The Dead Officers. tantly killed and five injured, of whor two will die. The Missouri was on the target range with the Texas and Brooklyn at practice about noon, when a charge of powder in the twelve-inch left-hand gun ignited from gases, exploded and, dropping below, ignited four charges of powder in the handling room and all exploded. Only one man of the entire turret and handling crew survived. But for the prompt and efsecurived. But for the prompt and efsecurived. survived. But for the prompt and efficient action of Captain Cowles in flooding the handling room and magazine with water one of the magazines would have exploded and the ship would have been destroyed.

### Captain Overcome.

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Captain Cowles, completely overcome by the disaster, referred all newspaper men to Lieutenant Hammer, the ordnance officer. The latter gave out a statement of the explosion and its probable cause. According to him, about noon, after the first pointer of the after twelve-inch piece had fired his string and the second pointer had fired the third shot of his string, the charge ignited. The fourth shot was being loaded, and from all indications the first half of the charge had been rammed home and the second section was being rammed home, when gases from the shot previously fired, or portions of the cloth cover, ignited the powder.

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seen to lead from every portion of the turret. A few seconds later another explosion, somewhat more fierce, occurred. This was in the handling roombelow, where 1,600 pounds of powder, or four charges, ready to be hoisted above, had ignited. Fire quarters were sounded and every man of the crew responded, and the magazine and handling rooms were flooded with water. In less than five seconds after the first explosion two streams of water were being played in the rooms, and when volunteers were called for every man responded, eager to go into the turrets and rescue the crew. Captain Cowles gave his commands, and but for his presence of mind and that of the officers of the ship the Missouri would have gone down. The second explosion occurred near one of the magazines, and so hot we the fire that the brasswork of the magines was melted.

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Smoke and the fumes of the burned graduation owder made it almost impossible to enter either the turret or handling room, but officers and men, with hand-kerchiefs over their faces, made efforts to rescue the men inside. Leading the rescuing party was Captain Cowles, The officers endeavored to keep him few going below.

Lieutenant Davidson, the officer in charge of the turret, evidently had given some command to the men, as he was on top of the heap of men, having fallen there after he had allowed them to pass him to get out of the turret. The bodies were hardly recognizable, the terrible and quick fire having burned the clothing from the bodies of the men, and the flesh hung from them in shreds. The faces were mutilated by the smoke and flames only. Only one man was breathing when the turret one man was breathing when the furret or was reasoned and he died a three of the bureau of navigation, remained constantly at his desk, and, with the other officers of the bureau of navigation, remained constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he donic plague is spreading in an a clerical force, started arrange mens to ear for the bodies of the officers and men. Secretary Moody is preparing a dispatch of sympathy to be sent to Rear Admiral Barker, commander, the officers and men of the work of the North Atlantic fleet, requesting him to convey to the commander, the officers and men of the Missouri the profound sympathy to the source of the bureau of navigation, remained constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he bonic plague is spreading in an tental constantly at his desk, and. With the other officers of the bureau and a clerical force, started arrange constantly at his desk, and. With the other officers of the bureau and a clerical force, started arrange constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he bonic plague is spreading in an tental constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he bonic plague is spreading in an tental constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he wash and a clerical force, started arrange constantly at his desk, and. Washington, April 13.—The butch he wash and a clerical for crew was rescued, and he died a the Missouri the profound sympathy of the department. moment after he reached the deck

# BARKER'S REPORT.

List of Names of the Unfortunate Victims.

Washington, April 13.—A full report f the Missouri disaster has reached the navy department from Admiral Barker. It says that twenty-four men and five officers were killed outright by an explosion of the 12-inch gun in the after turret, and that two more men probably will die. It is believed the after turret, and that two more men probably will die. It is believed that the explosion was due to a back fire.

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Higher's mate, (second class), A.

Higher is necessarily a risk. Apparently all but three men in the handling room were killed. How narrowly the entire ship escaped destruction outright is realized when it is re
tith. Chief gun captain, T. E. Belaun.

DENSACOLA, Fla., April 13.—By the | Private marine, W. L. Shipman. Apprentices, (second class), G. C. Hardy,

souri when she went into co and was serving as a turret officer at the time of his death. His wife, Mrs. Juliet L. Davidson, resides at 1003 Mc-Juliet L. Davidson, resides at 1003 Mc-Culloch street, Baltimore, where a tele-gram was sent from the navy depart-ment announcing the death of her hus-band. Lieutenant Davidson served on the Brooklyn, Monocacý, Concord, Al-liance, Franklin and at the torpedo sta-tion at Newport prior to bis assignment.

Two Explosions.

The breech was open and a dull thud gave notice of something unusual. No loud report was made, but flames were seen to lead from every portion of the turret. A few seconds later another explosion, somewhat more fierce, occurred. This was in the harden the control of the below, when we have the control of the control o

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Burned and Strangled.

The twenty-five men of the turret were found lying in a heap. They had started for the exit when the first explosion occurred, and had just reached there when the more terrible explosion in the handling room occurred, which burned and strangled them to death.

Lieutenant Davidson, the officer in charge of the turret, evidently had given some comments, explosion is successful.

Tive since the first news of the accident reached here shortly after 4 o'clock. Although the commanding of the Missouri. Captain W. S. Cowles, as soon as he arrived at Penstella, send dispatches to the nearest of kin of the men killed, the department also is sending out these announcements so that there may be no mistake.

Captain John E. Dan.

## Guessing at the Cause.

With only the brief dispatch from Admiral Barker telling how the accident occurred, all the officials of the department, from Secretary Moody down, hesitate to attempt an explanation of it. The fact, however, that three rounds had been fired and another shell had been sealed and two other shell had been sealed and two sections of powder rammed home when the explosion occurred, in the opinion of an official of the department, would

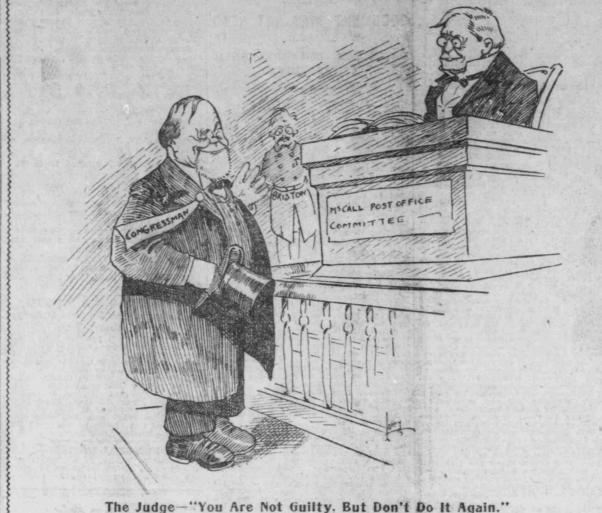
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Nunn, C. H. M. Franks, C. H. Meyer,
C. Tobin and J. W. Cole.
Landsmen, H. S. Cherharths, R. 7



Argument in the Short Line Case concluded and Submitted.

St. Paul, Minn., April 13.-The decision of the circuit court as to the right of E. H. Harriman and Winslow Pierce, as

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# ROBBERS QUICKLY

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A naval expert tonight said:

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# OCCUPIED BY MORGAN

Washington, April 13.—The senate to-day began consideration of the bill pro-viding for the government of the Pabama canal zone. The greater part of the day was occupied by Mr. Morgan in support of amendments offered by himself. None of them were accepted, and the reading of the bill was nearly fialf completed. Mr. Morgan attacked the new Panama Canal company and contended that the United States should proceed to carry into ef-fect the provisions of the treaty with Panama regardless of the demands of that company.

# DECISION DUE TODAY WON'T GO WITHOUT SUBPOENAS

Deseret News Says That Apostles, Absent From State and Wanted at Smoot Inquiry, Will Not Go Unless Compelled To Do So.

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Will Not Uncover Evidence.

W ASHINGTON, April 13.—A proposal to pass a resolution for the postoffice department investigation has been discussed by some of the members of the senate committee on er of the senate. Both interviews re-postoffices and post roads, although a determination for such an inquiry has not been fully decided upon by the Represent maintains the same position publican leaders. The resolution which that he has held since the inception of publican leaders. The resolution which that he has held since the inception of has been suggested will provide that a the troubles in the postoffice depart-sub-committee of the committee on ment—that the department must be postoffices and post roads may receive purged from all suspicion. He believes during the recess of congress any spetial the investigation conducted by the cific charges made against any official department officials themselves was or person, and determine whether such thorough and searching, and that any charges should be investigated. Members of the committee way that the resolution of committees of congress or by a commission from + portant shipping ports on the bers of the committee say that the resolution will provide for a condition during the recess which has existed the solution will be advised to that suitable precautions may to the taken at quarantine.

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# JUROR WAS TOO INQUISITIVE.

Washington, April 13.—The case of James M. A. Watson, accused of embezzling \$73,000 from funds in the custody of the auditor of the District of Columbia, was abruptly ended today by the discharge of the jury and the arrest of one of the jurors, Arthur L. Orrison, for contempt of court. The trial probably will not be begun again until the middle of May. The termination of the case was precipitated by the

middle of May. The termination of the case was precipitated by the request of Orrison to be informed by the court whether Watson was to be tried on the indictment against him or on public opinion. Justice Prichard replied that public opinion had nothing to do with the jury, which was to consider only the law and the evidence.

Assistant District Attorney Taggart moved the discharge of the jury on the ground that Orrison's question indicated a prejudice against the government in the case. The court promptly discharged the jury, prefacing the action by saying that "the juror was intoxicated and not in condition to sit in the box."

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Engineer and Fireman Went Down

ern passenger train No. 4, eastbound, was wrecked near Leavenworth, Wash., last

GREAT NORTHERN WRECK.

Engineer and Fireman Went Down
to Death.

Spokane, Wash., April 13.—Great Northern passenger train No. 4. eastbound, was

## GASOLINE EXPLOSION.

might, by an embankment giving way. The engine is on its back in the Wenatchee river 100 feet below the track. The mail and baggage cars are part way down the long slope, but the passeiger cars clung to the rails,

Fireman J. A. Wilson was killed in.

# OPENING GUNS OF THE CAMPAIGN

Jefferson's Birthday Celebrated by Iroquois Club.

NOTABLE ADDRESS BY VILAS

LETTERS READ FROM CLEVE-LAND AND WILLIAMS.

CHICAGO, April 13.—Ways and means to bring success to the Democratic party in the presidential campaign this fall were discussed by prominent Democrats, representing every part of the country, who attended the Iroquois club banquet at the Auditorium tonight in celebration of Jefferson's birthday. Tariff reform, antagonism to trusts, independence for the Philippines and rigid economy in the Philippines and rigid economy public expenditures were some of the suggestions offered by the speakers thring about this result. A feature of the banquet was the following letter from Grover (Teveland, who had been invited to attend; but was unable to be

### Cleveland's Letter.

"I very much regret the necessity hich compels me to decline your "I very much regret the necessity which compets me to decline your courteous invitation to attend the celebration of Jefferson's birthday under the auspices of the Iroquois club. It is especially fitting at this time of confusion in political ideas and misapprehension as to the meaning of true Democracy, that the character of the great exemplar of Democracy should be fully appreciated, and that his political opinions should be better interpreted and understood. His devotion to the interests of the people, his wise conservatism, and his constant adherence to the public good always the guiding star of his career, commend his acts and his beliefs to the careful study of those who in these days, patriotically seek the welfare of our country through the ascendency of safe and sane Democracy.

Trusting that the celebration of 'he birthday of this great leader will prove to be both a source of pleasure. In an very truly yours.

I am very truly yours.

### I am very truly yours, "GROVER CLEVELAND." Greeting to Miles.

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Trust in the People.

What though the spoils-seeking may cry, "This is not practical but I topian counsel, which wins jority in the polling booths." Oh little faith. Here is Democracy's mental commandment, trust in the country of the coun tal commandment, trust in the potter underlying bed-rock of popul ty. It is the grand strategy of Dettic war. In this sign we conquer

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# MAKAROFF GOES DOWN WITH SIX HUNDRED MEN

Battleship Petropavlovsk Strikes a Mine and Turns Turtle.

ussian Squadron Had Gone Out to Meet the Japanese Fleet-Russia's Loss Was Almost Irreparable.

St. Petersburg, April 13.-(4:39 p. m.)-While going out to meet the Japanese fleet off Port Arthur, the Petropavlovsk struck a mine in the outer roadstead, heeled over, turned turtle and sank. Practically the whole of her crew were lost. Only four officers were saved, among them being the Grand Duke Cyril. The Petropavlovsk was flying the flag of Vice Admiral Makaroff. The result of the naval battle, which, according to the most reliable authority, was in progress, according to the last reports, has not been received.

St. Petersburg, April 13 .- (5:08 p. m.)-It is officially announced that Vice Admiral Makaroff was drowned at the time of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk.

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ST. PETERSBURG, April 13.—The awful disaster to the battleship When the toastmaster introduced General Nelson A. Miles, the 500 banqueters rose in a body and greeted the former head of the United States army of Vice Admiral Makaroff, has been the admiral, in which he said he was a terrible blow. It would have fallen compelled to disobey orders as to tak-

will'am F. Vilas of Wisconsin, former postmaster general, responded to the toast "Faith and Hope."

Mr. Vilas's Speech.

gram, being convinced that the message was only a precursor of worse with Grand Duke Cyril's anxiety to go to the front. He wanted to win his spurs and then marry the woman with Grand Duke Cyril, Lieutenant Von whom he is very much in love. The

Lieutenant Von Kube had gone down

Overwhelmed With Grief. A religious service was immediately held at Grand Duke Vladimir's palace. A religious service was immediately the Matin at St. Fetersonic clearague the following: the following: the following:

in which thanks were returned to the Almighty for the sparing of the life of Grand Duke Cyril, but the emperor, according to which Vice Admiral was so overwhelmed with grief at the death of Vice Admiral Makaroff that death of Vice Admiral Makaroff that the Janapese fleet. After he had been the Janapese fleet. After he had been

Meantime the city was filled with the wildest rumors, but the official dispatches were so meagre and private the battleship out of the water, configurately dispatches so conflicting regarding pletely overturning her. Grand Duke what had occurred that the public was kept in suspense for six hours. Then, of score of men alone managed to although the report was incomplete, swim to land.

dispatches were posted on the Nevsky "Vice Admiral Makaroff's plan of dispatches were posted on the Nevsky prospect and other war bulletin boards. The grief of the crowds, whose worst fears were thus officially confirmed, was touching. The ministry of marine was soon surrounded by thousands of persons eagerly asking for more details. The crowd of inquirers were the stricken relatives of those who were on board the Petropavlovsk

Reports Not Clear. What occurred prior to the blowing up of the flagship was only vaguely known, except that Admiral Makaron. St. Petersburg, April 14.—What has with his flag flying on the doomed vessel, sailed out to engage the ene-my until his reinforcements appeared It is thought possible that Vice Admiral Togo planned an ambuscade by sending in a small squadron in the hope of drawing out the Russian commander to the open and then cutting ther news had been communicated.

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The Associated Press learns that the location of six mines planted by the Yenesei were unknown, the charts having been lost when that vessel went and the properties of the prop down. Probably it was one of these mines that the battleship struck.

of the navy was he, and he enjoyed the confidence of the emperor as well as of the officers and men. Speaking of his death, officers here remarked on the strange fatality that he should lose his life on the heavily armored battleship to which he had a particular appearance. life on the heavily armored battleship to which he had a clicular aversion. This morning for the first time he raised his flag on a battleship. Previously he had gone out on board the cruiser Novik or the cruiser Askold. It was at the urgent request of his friends that he did not risk his life is this fashion and transforred his fashion and transforred his fashion and transforred his fashion. his fashion and transferred his flag to he Petropavlovsk:

### Grief of the Widow.

Tonight the grief-stricken widow, awful disaster to the battleship Petropavlovsk at Port Arthur, h the loss of almost her entire

mented upon that the ice breaker Yer-mak, one of Vice Admiral Makaroff's mak, one of Vice Admiral Makaroff s another accident following upon the heels of a succession of tragedies, of which the Port Arthur fleet has been the victim, has created something like consternation.

"Reverses we can endure." said a prominent Russian, "but to have the Petrospolarity meet the fate of the back program of the program

Makaroff is believed to have been in

# the conning tower when the Petropav-lovsk was blown up. Grand Duke Cy-rll probably owes his life to the fact that he is a fine athlete and a splendid swimmer.

Grand Duke's Romance. Count Grabbe, aide de camp to Grand Duke Vladimir, will leave tomorrow to bring Grand Duke Cyril home. Noth-

match was opposed by his parent is an open secret that the grand duke's lady love is his cousin, the diverced wife of the Grand Duke of Hesse and a daughter of the late Duke of Caxeburg and Gotha, who married a sister of Alexander III.

# CAUSE IS UNCERTAIN.

Battleship May Have Been Destroyed by Submarine Boat.

Paris, April 14.—The correspondent of the Matin at St. Petersburg telegraphs death of Vice Admiral Makaroff that reither he nor the empress attended the service. Instead the emperor sent a member of his personal staff to break the sad news to Vice Admiral Makatoff the sad news to Vice Admiral Makatoff the widow, who is living in St. Petersburg.

Meantime the city was filled with the wildest rumors, but the official distance an explosion literally buried

> campaign was lost with him "Grand Duke Cyril is suffering only trophe was due to a floating mine

### to a Japanese submarine vessel. The Japanese certainly witnessed the ca those tastrophe. DETAILS SUPPRESSED.

St. Petersburg, April 14.—What has been the issue of the combat between Rear Admiral Ouktomsky and the Japanese fleet, or whether a fight has actually taken place, is not known in St Petersburg. At 2:30 o'clock this morning the commission of censors adjourned, after announcing that no fur-

mines that the battleship struck.

Russia's Great Loss.

Vice Admiral Makaroff's death is really a greater loss than would be the loss of several battleships. The pride

this fashion and transtoared his flag to the Petropavlovsk:

It is now an open secret that Vice Admirated was well known in England,